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WASHINGTON - U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) Commissioner Richard D. Land will testify today at a Congressional Human Rights Caucus Members' briefing titled "Pakistan: A Human Rights Update." Rep. Thomas G. Tancredo will chair the briefing.

Commissioner Land will discuss Pakistan's record on religious freedom and testify about the Commission's recommendation to Secretary of State Colin L. Powell that Pakistan be designated a "country of particular concern."

Commissioner Land's testimony will be available on the USCIRF Web site after 2:00 p.m. on May 13, 2004.

WHAT: CHRC Members' briefing "Pakistan: A Human Rights Update"

WHEN: 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., Thursday, May 13, 2004

WHERE: 2200 Rayburn House Office Building

The U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom was created by the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 to monitor the status of freedom of thought, conscience, and religion or belief abroad, as defined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and related international instruments, and to give independent policy recommendations to the President, the Secretary of State and the Congress.

- Fellow Michael K. Young

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